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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR US SPONSORED TRAINING

REF: A. BAGHDAD 2171 ¶B. BAGHDAD 2176 ¶C. BAGHDAD 2245

11. The Department has reviewed its files and finds that it possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights at this time by the members of the Iraqi Security Forces listed below. Department strongly suggests that visa applications for both individuals be filed with as much time as possible to allow for additional processing procedures that may be required. Note that if, at any time, the Embassy becomes aware of any information regarding incidents which could be deemed to be credible information of a gross violation of human rights by any of these individuals, the Embassy should so inform the Department.

¶2. The names of the proposed candidates are as follows:

NAME: Hamid Mahdi ABDULAZEEZ POSITION: BG, Deputy Chief of Staff, Iraqi Army DOB: May 17, 1967 TYPE OF TRAINING: Naval Post Graduate School

TRAINING LOCATION: Monterey, CA

DATES OF TRAINING: September 6 to 29, 2008

NAME: Sameer Ghanem HADI POSITION: Civilian, MOI DOB: August 8, 1975

TYPE OF TRAINING: Language Training and Logistic Course

TRAINING LOCATION: Lackland AFB, Texas

DATES OF TRAINING: August 20 to December 19, 2008

NAME: Jaleel Jabbar Abdulhasan AL-ZERKANI

POSITION: MG, Iraqi Army

DOB: March 7, 1961

TYPE OF TRAINING: Senior Foreign Military Sales Symposium TRAINING LOCATION: Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio & Washington,

DATES OF TRAINING: August 23 to 31, 2008

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